## <u>ABSTRACT</u> COMPOUNDS HAVING CRTH2 ANTAGONIST ACTIVITY

## Compounds of general formula (I):

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wherein

 $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$  and  $R^4$  are independently hydrogen, halo,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl, -O( $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl), -CON( $R^9$ )<sub>2</sub>, -SO<sub>2</sub> $R^9$ , -SO<sub>2</sub>N( $R^9$ )<sub>2</sub>, -N( $R^9$ )<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>9</sup>COR<sup>9</sup>, -CO<sub>2</sub> $R^9$ , -COR<sup>9</sup>, -SR<sup>9</sup>, -OH, -NO<sub>2</sub> or -CN;

each R<sup>9</sup> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl;

R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> are each independently hydrogen, or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl or together with the carbon atom to which they are attached form a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl group;

15 R<sup>7</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl

n is 1 or 2;

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X is a bond or, when n is 2, X may also be a NR<sup>9</sup> group;

wherein R<sup>9</sup> is as defined above;

when X is a bond R<sup>8</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl, biphenyl or a 9-14 membered bicyclic or tricyclic heteroaryl group;

when X is a NR<sup>9</sup> group R<sup>8</sup> may additionally be phenyl, naphthyl or a 5-7 membered heteroaromatic ring; and

the  $R^8$  group is optionally substituted with one or more substituents selected from 25 halo,  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl,  $-O(C_1$ - $C_6$ )alkyl, aryl, -O-aryl, heteroaryl, -O-heteroaryl,

-CON( $R^9$ )<sub>2</sub>, -SOR<sup>9</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>9</sup>, SO<sub>2</sub>N( $R^9$ )<sub>2</sub>, -N( $R^9$ )<sub>2</sub>, -NR<sup>9</sup>COR<sup>9</sup>, -CO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>9</sup>, -COR<sup>9</sup>, -SR<sup>9</sup>, -OH, -NO<sub>2</sub> or -CN;

wherein R<sup>9</sup> is as defined above;

and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, hydrates, solvates, complexes and prodrugs are useful in the treatment of allergic diseases such as asthma, allergic rhinitis and atopic dermatitis.